

Operative R.P.Terrell.

Oct. 5th, 1926

Re: Hamborsky

Interview with Rev.A.G.Schodtke.

Operative called at the home of Rev. Schodtke, after making an appointment by telephone, at 368 Eleanor Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev.Schodtke stated that he would be only too glad to be of assistance. Operative asked Dr.Schodtke to explain his connection with Rev. Hamborsky.

He replied that Hamborsky came to him and said his church was down and out, due to the fact that they were no longer able to get any assistance from the Mother Church in Hungary. Hamborsky wanted to become affiliated with the Episcopal Church and Hamborsky asked Dr. Schodtke to come to New Brunswick and affiliate his church with the Episcopal and thereby save it.

Dr.Schodtke, as Dean of the Eastern Convocation of Hungarian Churches, said he was duty bound to help the Hungarian church in New Brunswick, N.J. and came in and took over the church and stayed for three years. He stated that he got Hamborsky an Episcopal Church in New York City, the location was somewhere on East 11th Street and that 3 months later Hamborsky was fired from that church for his drunken habits. He told of hearing that on Easter Sunday, while he had this church in New York City he did not fulfill his church duties.

Rev. Schodtke said that a Father Burgess of the N.Y. Episcopal Diocese could give operative all the information as to Hamborsky's conduct while at this church and his reason for being fired. Father Burgess is located at the N.Y.Episcopal Diocese, the address is somewhere on 4th Avenue, New York City.

Hamborsky later came back to New Brunswick and started a campaign against Rev.Schodtke, to have him removed from the church, so he could get it for himself. He started with a small group and conditions got so unbearable that Schodtke took the matter up with Bishop Mathews of Trenton, the head of the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey. Bishop Mathew told him he might as well resign and let the church do what they wanted, and that they would secure another church for him.

Rev.Schodtke did resign and also resigned from the Episcopal Diocese, and left New Brunswick, N.J. for Philadelphia and began to engage in the real estate business. However, Hamborsky did not get the church as the congregation had learned from experience that he was not a fit man to be their minister, so they obtained one Andrew Kosa, who has been there a little over a year and is still officiating.

Rev.Schodtke said Hamborsky got a loan for the church from Bishop Mathew of \$5000. of which about \$800.

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